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1. PROPOSALS FOR TEN DAYS OF INDIVIDUAL TRAVEL BY BRETHERTON FOR PERIOD SEPTEMBER 27-OCTOBER 7 FOLLOW. PRESUMABLY, CONTRIBUTION BY USG AND OTHERS TO PROJECT INDEPENDENCE WILL BE COVERED IN DETAIL DURING PRIOR PORTION OF ITINERARY. IF NOT, SUGGESTED INDIVIDUAL TRAVEL SHOULD BE REVISED ACCORDINGLY TO PROVIDE MORE EXTENSIVE EXAMINATION OF THIS SUBJECT.

2. HOUSTON - VISIT OIL COMPANY HEADQUARTERS, ESPECIALLY PLANNING DEPARTMENTS, TO GET FIRST HAND IMPRESSION OF INDUSTRY AND ITS PROBLEMS, INCLUDING THOSE ASSOCIATED WITH OFFSHORE DRILLING. (IF HOUSTON IS ALREADY ON PRECEDING ITINERARY, VISIT TO NEW YORK COMPANY HEADQUARTERS WOULD BE ALTERNATIVE).

WASHINGTON, D.C. AREA - MEET WITH USG OFFICIALS CONCERNED WITH DEVELOPMENT OF ALTERNATE ENERGY SOURCES, E.G. SHALE OIL, COAL GASIFICATION, NUCLEAR ENERGY. ALSO MEET WITH COAL AND GAS COMPANIES LOCATED IN NORTHEASTERN STATES.

COLORADO - VISIT OIL SHALE DEVELOPMENT SITES, ESPECIALLY OCCIDENTAL PETROLEUM'S IN SITU PROCESS AT GRAND

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JUNCTION, FOR EXPOSURE TO ENVIRONMENTAL AND OTHER PROB-

LEMS INVOLVED IN COMMERCIAL EXPLOITATION. ALSO
VISIT TO GULF GENERAL ATOMICS/SHELL HIGH TEMPERATURE
REACTOR AT FORT ST. VRAIN. (PRESUMABLY THERE WILL BE AN
OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT A LIGHT WATER REACTOR ELSEWHERE,
PERHAPS IN DETROIT AREA).

ALASKA - IN THE EVENT THERE SHOULD BE SUFFICIENT
TIME, A VISIT TO ALASKAN NORTH SLOPE TO OBTAIN IMPRESSION
OF FURTHER DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL. (BRITISH PETROLEUM
HEADQUARTERS IN NEW YORK UNDOUBTEDLY WOULD BE WILLING TO
ARRANGE VISIT IF REQUESTED).

3. BRETHERTON WOULD FIND IT MOST CONVENIENT FOR PERSONAL
REASONS IF INDIVIDUAL TRAVEL COULD BE ARRANGED IN SUCH A
WAY AS TO MAKE COLORADO THE LAST STOP.

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